

**No. 10 January 1951**

Front cover – A wintry scene just south of Longholme

- p.2 Appointment of Denis W M Allen as a director of the company
- p.3 **Retirements** – John Edward Myerson, William Robinson, Harry Norman Doughty, George William Housden
- p.4 **Appointments** – J M Berridge, S G Harris
- p.5 A page for children
- p.6 **Visits** of officials and engineers of the gas, electricity and coal boards, also consulting and industrial engineers (pictures) and Pierre Crepelle. Visits to Australia, British Sugar Corporation factory Bury St Edmunds, London Docks, France and Norway.
- p.8 Pictures of R Wells, and C E Baldwin, correspondents for the magazine from the pattern shop and the Biddenham works
- p.9 Preparations for naval vessels to be built in some of the Dominions. In Australia Allen Auxiliaries to be manufactured by Federated British Engineers (NSW) Ltd and in Canada by William Kennedy and Sons, Ltd. Pictures of Douglas J Jones (Federated British Engineers) and of Elgin Walter (Kennedy & Sons) discussing a tool problem with Mr J Keen and Mr J A Polson.
- p.10 **Apprentices', Students' and Pupils' Activities**. Including report of Kenneth Baines and Arthur John Allen attending the Outward Bound sea school at Aberdovey.
- p.12 Inauguration by H R H The Duke of Gloucester KG of the Coke Oven Plant at East Greenwich Gas Works.
- p.13 Natural and artificial silk and nylon
- p.14 Christmas Whist Drive (pictures)
- p.17 Brief information about H 'Bert' Hester, James William Darnell, Jack Haywood, William Alfred Thorman, Percy Arthur Grace, Thomas Charles Burnapp, Henry Gordon Simpson, Jack William Tayler, Albert Henry Etheridge, Cyril Edward Derrick, George Beanland, June Freame (includes pictures of the head of each person on a caricature body).
- p.18 **Activities at the Works** - Increased Production; Constructional Work on conference room, new wages office and junior drawing office; First Aid Detachment; Benevolent Fund (picture of J Dillion and N Poulter); Canteen; Blood Transfusion; National Insurance Scheme and the National Health Service; Cookery demonstrations for the ladies of the works organised by the Eastern Gas Board.
- p.22 **Recent Contracts**
- p.23 **Personal Column** (now called 'Brevities by our correspondents') includes mention of: Diana Salmond, 'Eddie' Smith, 'Tony' Shadrake, C C Fordham, 'Joe' Wiles, Arthur Gammons, 'Bert' Nicholls and 'Eddie' Dwyer.
- p.25 **Obituaries** – Charles Edwin Marriott, Archibald Endersby, Ernest Henry Clarke, Raymond Sidney Brown, James Bleakley, Jesse Cooksley and George Stanbridge.
- p.26 **Queen's Engineering Works Recreation Club** – reports on the institute (picture of darts team), bowls, tennis (picture of J Leadbeater and E Townsend), table tennis, rugby, shooting, rounders, football (picture of Ist XI), golf, cricket (picture of Colin Beard and Malcolm Woodland), hockey (picture of ladies' team), library, chess and horticulture.
- p.32 Ladies' (Works) Social Evening
- p.33 **Our Representatives** – Scotland (picture of personnel at Messrs Charles Henderson & Co Ltd)
- p.34 Mr A Hailstone's holiday cruise to the Western Isles
- p.35 Visit of H S Glass to America (with picture of Mr Glass with S T 'Stan' Howe, A Nichol, J Buck, J Keon and C A Eberle outside the offices of William Kennedy & Sons, Ontario.) Also mentions Percy Stokes.

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Front cover: Miss Margaret Brown

- p.3 **Retirement** – H E Boyd
- p.4 **Appointment** – P C Saltmarsh
- p.4 **Retirements** – Sidney George Wren, James William Manning, Laurence Hearne, John Edward Fagg, Harry Byars Smith, James Barnett
- p.7 **Visits** of the third sea lord and the engineer-in-chief of the fleet (picture), Dutch Draughtsmen (picture) and Mr A A Gault of Messrs Underhill, Day & Co Pty, Brisbane (picture). Visits to Messrs Tate & Lyle Ltd Plaistow Wharf and Thames Refineries, Holland, Belgium, and Switzerland.
- p.11 Brief personal information on: Frederick William Boyce, Robert Frost, Eric Walter Gillett, John Foster, Jesse Smith, Henry James Stanbridge, David Wylie Creighton, Reginald Claude Gibson. (includes pictures of the head of each person on a caricature body)
- p.12 Auxiliaries in the Canadian Pacific Beaver Class
- p.13 **Apprentices', Students' and Pupils' Activities** – includes picture of Claude Caminer, John Ames and Norman Keech, finalists in the dressmaking competition.; prize for an English essay to B M M Carpendale; picture of the drawing competition.
- p.15 **Activities at the Works:** Increased production including mention of changing and bathing facilities, picture of the one-man pouring system in the foundry; First Aid Detachment; Civil Defence Corps; Benevolent Fund (picture of H F Chambers); Safety Committee; National Insurance Scheme and the National Health Service; Cookery and make-up demonstrations for the ladies.
- p.19 **Recent contracts**
- p.21 **Personal Column** (now called 'Brevities by our correspondents') includes mention of: Mrs Mary Kirby and Victor Bernard Meyer.
- p.23 **Queen's Engineering Works Recreation Club** report on children's party, picture of Mrs Whishaw, Noreen Thompson, Cynthia Clarke, Margaret Brown, Cynthia Bonham and Miss Floyd, judges and winners of the beauty competition. Reports on: bowls, tennis, rugby, shooting, rounders, football (picture of 2<sup>nd</sup> XI), cricket, hockey, table tennis, library, chess and horticulture.
- p.30 **Our representatives** Western Counties and South Wales Area
- p.33 Father does his pools by T M Hurst
- p.35 **Obituaries:** Sydney Sayer, Albert George Hartwell, Arthur Lines, Claude Parsons Albert Ward, Albert Stanley Impey, Frank Ernest Hellyer, John Edward Randolph Willey, John Joseph Skerman, Barnard Cooper.

**No. 12 – July 1951**

Front cover: Harvest Time in Bedfordshire

- p.3 Editorial on the development of the magazine
- p.4 R M S Oronsay
- p.5 Visit to Australia by W Kenneth G Allen
- p.7 **Visits** of Mr J R Wheating, the Diesel Engine Users' Association, Members of the Rural District Council Surveyors' Association Eastern and East Anglian Branches. Visits to the USA and Canada, France, Maidstone waterworks company pumping stations,
- p.9 Brief personal information on: Frances Eric Trustam, Bessie Hillyard, William John Gray, Ken Wiles, Henry Newton Waller, Ralph Sidney Ives, William Robert Owen, Alfred Charles Page (includes pictures of the head of each person on a caricature body)
- p.10 **Apprentices', Students' and Pupils' Activities**: Pat Fender wins William Henry Allen Memorial Prize. Picture of C R Dalton, C W Cook, J P Carrier and K F Best, pupils who took classes at North Bedfordshire College of Further Education. National savings incentive scheme. Exhibition of Apprentices' work.
- p.13 **Recent contracts**
- p.14 Opening of the New Power House at Highfield Tanning Co, Ltd, Runcorn
- p.14 Visit to Egypt and the Sudan by Alan Train
- p.16 **Activities at the Works**: Increased Production; Hospital Service; First Aid Detachment; Benevolent Fund; Blood Transfusion; Suggestion Scheme; National Insurance Scheme and the National Health Service; Civil Defence Corps.
- p.19 **Obituaries** – John David Phillips and Albert Victor Course
- p.20 Fat and Forty by Dr J B L Tombleson
- p.21 **Personal Column** (now called 'Brevities by our correspondents') includes mention of J A Toombs, gunner on National Service and picture of Janet Cobb, daughter of Ralph Cobb.
- p.24 Appointment of W S Arnold as representative to the Western Counties
- p.25 **Queen's Engineering Works Recreation Club** – includes pictures of the presentation of a television set to Mr M Howe, M H Makepeace with the Whitbread Cup, and Norman Shepherd, Bill Molyneux and Mrs Rolfe winners of the talent spotting competition. Reports on bowls, table tennis, tennis (picture of W J Parker in action), rugby, shooting, rounders, drama, football, golf, cricket (picture of Morgan Recreation Club Cricket XI and Queen's Sunday XI), hockey, chess, library, horticulture.
- p.32 A Watch in Hand is worth two in the pocket by Paul Morgan
- p.33 **Our Representatives** – Northern Ireland

**No. 13 – October 1951**

Front cover – woodland scene taken in Southill park

- p.3 Visit to Canada and United States of America by H Norman G Allen (picture of J H Gray, Stan Howe and Norman Allen)
- p.6 **Visits** of Sir Ronald Garrett and Dr S F Dorey, Naval Engineer Officers from HMS Thunderer, Mr G B Bradshaw and Girls from the Convent School. Visits to West Ham Power Station.
- p.7 Film show of films on sport
- p.9 Brief personal information on: Millicent Irene Ashford, H H ‘Charlie’ Black, Archibald John Lovell, Caroline White, Edward Arthur Pilgrim, Ralph William Frank Day, Edmund Alfred Perry and Horace John Grooms (includes pictures of the head of each person on a caricature body).
- p.10 **Retirements** – H E Boyd (picture of presentation), Alexander Pain and John Maxey.
- p.11 **Apprentices’, Students’ and Pupils’ Activities** – marriage announcements of Charles Cook, Norman Keech and James Carrier, engagement of Bruce Skinner, birth of Brian Carpendale’s second daughter and death of David Phillips. Also mentions: Raymond Nicholls, John Thompson, Jack Ford, Michael Graham-Smith, David Gillings, John Goodacre, Edgar Lane, Philip Marr, Eric Poole, Michael Wheeler, David Benson, Derek Gray, Michael Pattison and Ian Pattison.
- p.12 Procession of Illuminated Boats at the Bedford river festival
- p.14 Christmas Whist Drive
- p.15 Engineering, Marine and Welding Exhibition 1951
- p.15 Opening of conference room and new block of offices
- p.16 Photographic competition results
- p.18 **Activities at the Works:** Bedfordshire Hospital Service Association, Benevolent Fund, Blood Transfusion, Safety Committee, Suggestion Scheme (picture of J Newman, tool room), Government Offices, National Insurance Scheme and the National Health Service, Fire Brigade
- p.20 **Personal column (Brevities by our correspondents)** includes: 214 years service by the Leadbeater family (Edwin, George, Ralph, Charles, Leonard, Julia, Jack, Richard, Rupert and Rene) giving relationship to each other, dates of service and job title; presentation to Bill Coles; pictures of Mr H ‘Dick’ Down with the miniature harbour and castle in his garden; winners of the men’s business house relay swimming race – M Donald, L Bindin, K Hartridge and G S Wright; Retirements of A C Young and W A Draper; picture of Charles William Warden with one of his model engines; L Rooke and H H Clarke success in bowling; picture of three ex-apprentices – P Colson, A Dix and N Bradbrooke in New Zealand; picture of Mrs Marjory Rowell (daughter of George Aylott of the foundry) who has returned to work in the electrical shop; Derek Lawrence to race his Austin Seven at Silverstone.
- p. 24 **Recent Contracts**
- p.25 **Obituaries** – Herbert Stanley Glass, Maurice Newton and Herbert Victor Charles Black.
- p.26 **Queen’s Engineering Works Recreation Club** Reports on developments at Allen Park, bowls, tennis (picture of winners of finals), table tennis, rugby, shooting, rounders, drama, football (picture of Mr W Turner, chairman of the football club), golf, archery (picture of DJ B Tait taking aim), cricket (picture of presentation of cup to S V Wildman), hockey, chess, horticulture (pictures of allotment winners: L J Collington, A I Reynolds and F Smith, and of Mr L Allen with his collection vegetables) and library.
- p.35 Old Clem by G V Doggett
- p.36 Apprentices, among them W R Williams, D E Cook and D A F Pulley, members of the 2<sup>nd</sup> (C) Battalion Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire Regiment travel to Bisley for shooting competition (picture of D E Cook)

**No. 14 – January 1952**

Front cover: S S British Adventure

- p.2 R T Rolfe receives OBE
- p.3 Super British Tankers
- p.4 Christmas Whist Drive (pictures of W Turner, Tom Pateman, Mrs A Grocott, S H Clarke, M Howe and George Allen.)
- p.5 Oil in Persia (N D Creighton and A A Gardner meet in Abadan and share their memory of place and people)
- p.6 **Visits** of members of the Luton and District Industrial Safety Association, Ir J A De Jong and Ir C M J Willeumier (picture), Mr Stan Howe, United States Naval Attache and Assistant Naval Attache (picture), Mr H A Doornbosch of Messrs Marsman of the Philippine Islands, Mr Emanuel Akinola Sawyerr of Nigeria (picture), Members of the Luton Graduate Section of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers. Visits to Scotland and Northern Ireland and South Africa.
- p.9 Brief personal information about: Alfred George Scott, Gladys Colburt, Stanley Wilfred Kidson, Vincent Joseph Taylor, Charles Bellamy, Bernard Harry Cornell, James Scotson and J B 'Jack' Tromans (photograph of each person's head on a caricature body).
- p.10 **Retirements:** Archibald Watts, George Stanbridge, Henry Newton Waller, Albert Henry Etheridge, Frederick William Vince, Sidney Childerley.
- p.11 First time experience of blood donation
- p.12 **Apprentices', Students' and Pupils' Activities.** Includes: Group photograph of the annual reunion; picture of Mr P Sharp explaining the workings of the MAAG HSS 30 to K F Best, W Valentine, J T Dimond and W J Course; new pupils and students – J Arbuthnott, C G Clark, H J Dean, M A Grace, E Heshmati, R E J Kinsman, A H M Neelson, A E Thoms and R A C Woodward; departures – R E Hilton, G C Levett and G S Wright; L H Doe gains technical state scholarship.
- p.14 List of the 56 employees doing their National Service with pictures of Daniel Roy McGreish and Charles Edward Sargeant.
- p.15 The history of the Oxford Ragwort by A W Guppy.
- p.16 **Activities at the Works:** First Aid Detachment, Benevolent Fund, Safety Committee, Accident Prevention, Civil Defence Corps, National Insurance Scheme and the National Health Service, Suggestion Scheme.
- p.18 **Our customers:** The Rand Water Board
- p.20 **Brevities by our correspondents.** Includes: picture of Mohammed el Sawi Effendi with Mr W Murdock at the works of the Ministry of Agriculture, Nyazara, Sudan; picture of Janice Shadrake, Valerie Gregg, Margot Davenport and Joan Wright, winners of the E P Rose Business House Swimming Cup (Beds Times photo); picture of Ronald McLeod winner of four prizes at the Bedford Musical Festival.
- p.22 **Recent contracts**
- p.24 **Queen's Engineering Works Recreation Club.** Reports on bowls, table tennis (picture of junior team), tennis, rugby, football (picture of first XI), recreative physical training, archery, library, drama, hockey, cricket and horticulture.
- p.29 **Our representatives:** Holland
- p.31 **Obituaries:** Joseph White, John Edward Wickham, Julia Rabbitt, James Norman Waby, Gilbert George Godding, Alfred Lake Cowdell, David Edward Mayhew, Frederick Charles Newman, William Robinson.
- p.32 The Native of Australia by David Bartaby.

**No. 15 – April 1952**

Front cover; Cottage at Wilden

- p.3 Visit to South Africa by H Norman G Allen
- p.5 **Visits** of three members of the staff of the Canadian Westinghouse company (picture), commodore A C M Davy and Commander Osborn, Karl Thorbjornsen (picture), admiralty main propulsion committee (picture). Visit to Norway.
- p.8 Brief personal details of: Frederick Ralph Cobb, Elizabeth Green, Sidney Poole Keech, Frederick George Matthews, Charles Edward Gardiner, William Walter Nicholson, Horace Frederick Ball, William Edward Brett-Smith (photographic head on each on caricature body)
- p.9 **Retirements:** Arthur Truman and Arthur John Whittemore.
- p.9 Photographic competition
- p.10 Children's competition results with picture of the winners of the painting competition – Peter Bull, Roger Bass, Susan Cooper, Vincent Heaney, Sylvia Manning, Stuart Coles and Teresa Kent.
- p.11 The Allen Annuity Fund
- p.12 Overseas appointments: W Mawle (Canada) and N D Creighton (Australia)
- p.12 Ruth Wildman runner up for the title of Britain's Ideal Secretary for the under 25s (picture)
- p.13 Employees on national service (pictures of Alan Clifford Spencer, Donald Edward Wright and Leonard Robert Taylor.
- p.13 Letter from Australia in praise of Allen's machinery.
- p.14 **Apprentices', students' and pupils' activities** Includes: Edwin Fripp Clark winner of the Archibald Carmichael prize (picture), picture of H A Searle who has left for South Africa.
- p.16 Recording of BBC 'Younger Generation' programme at North Bedfordshire College.
- p.17 **Activities at the Works** Increased Production, Benevolent Fund, Blood Transfusion, First Aid Detachment, Safety Committee, Home Guard, Civil Defence Corps, National Insurance Scheme and the National Health Service.
- p.21 **Brevities by our correspondents**
- p.23 The Largest Portuguese Passenger Liner S S Vera Cruz
- p.24 **Recent contracts**
- p.25 **Obituaries:** Herbert William Feetham, Amos White, Alfred Compton, George Alfred Berrow, Gordon Francis Horner, John William Parker, Arthur Edward Garner, Laurence Walter Hearne.
- p.26 **Queen's Engineering Works Recreation Club** Reports on children's party, institute, bowls, table tennis, tennis, recreative physical training, rugby (picture of Queen's rugby A XV), football, archery, drama, rounders, hockey, cricket, shooting, library, horticulture.
- p.32 Sound the Alarm by Paul Morgan (about getting up in the morning)

**No. 16 – July 1952**

Front cover: Oakley bridge and church

- p.3 South America by Rupert S Allen
- p.5 Picture of members of the works fire brigade
- p.6 **Visits** of employees' relatives and friends, Mr T K T Srisailam (picture), Mr H Borgen (picture), gas engineers and royal naval engineer-officers administrative course from HMS Thunderer. Visits to Canada, America, Leonardo Da Vinci exhibition and Thames Board Mills, Purfleet (pictures), Northern England and France.
- p.9 Restoration of a veteran car or how to obtain the pleasures of motoring of 40 years ago.
- p.11 Brief personal details of: Arthur James Goodfellow, Dora Stevenson, John Edward Milner, William Edward Smith, Jack Cecil Chester, Jeffrey Stidolph, Thomas Townsend, John Devereaux (photographic head of each person on caricature body)
- p.12 **Apprentices', Students and Pupils' Activities**
- p.13 National service: Clifford Charles Fordham, John William Frederick Darwood and Eric Charles Horsman
- p.14 **Retirement:** Herbert Fowler, **Obituaries:** William Ralph Williams, Edward Cecil Fisher, John James Fairclough, William Wright
- p.15 Food and Germs by Dr J B L Tombleson
- p.16 Holiday Photographic Competition
- p.17 **Activities at the Works:** Increased Production, Benevolent Fund, Blood Transfusion, First-Aid Detachment (picture of winners of the Rupert Allen Challenge Shield – J I Griffiths, L G Gilbert, R W Earl and T S Frossell), Hospital Service, Suggestion Scheme, Safety Committee, Surgery, Civil Defence Corps, National Insurance Scheme and the National Health Service, Fire Brigade.
- p.21 **Brevities by our correspondents.** Includes reference to: donations to the British Olympic Association Fund; Leslie Hawkin.
- p.23 **Recent contracts**
- p.24 Honey bees
- p.26 **Queen's Engineering Works Recreation Club** Reports on: Darts (picture of G Vorley receiving the Whitbread Cup), bowls, tennis (picture of Queen's and Alexandra tennis teams), rugby, football, archery, golf (picture of Stanley G Harris), rounders (picture of Queen's rounders team), drama, hockey, cricket, shooting, library, table tennis (pictures of winners), horticulture.
- p.34 Oslo to Bergen by Train by W Kenneth G Allen
- p.35 **Our Representatives** – Norway

**No. 17 – October 1952**

Front cover: Autumn comes to Sandy Hills

- p.2 Announcement re company converting from a private to a public company
- p.3 Friendly Business (an anonymous report about working for the company over many years)
- p.5 Demonstration of 1,000kW Gas Turbine
- p.6 **Visits** of Mr I R Rasch, naval trainees, engineers from the Anglo-Iranian Oil Co Ltd, Mr Stephen Phillips, apprentices from Percival Aircraft Co Ltd, Naval engineer officers from HMS Thunderer, Visits to Johannesburg, Nigeria and West Africa
- p.9 Brief personal descriptions of: Kenneth Meek, Leonard Thomas Jones, Frank Morton, Grace Anne Hills, Archdale Moore, Frederick Robert Turner, Stanley Charles Wells, Joseph Lansberry (photographic head on caricature body)
- p.10 Christmas Whist Drive
- p.11 **Apprentices', Students' and Pupils' Activities**
- p.12 Holiday Photographic Competition Results
- p.14 **Retirements:** Herbert Henry Norman, Arnold Maude, George Albert Ashford, Edward Watling, Henry William Jackson.
- p.15 **Obituaries:** Percy Frost, William Samuel Tunley, Henry John Mills, Albert Henry Etheridge.
- p.16 National Service: John Edward and Peter Frederick Peck, Anthony Poole, Ronald Henry Stevenson, Norman William Everett.
- p.17 **Activities at the Works** Increased Production, Benevolent Fund, First Aid Detachment, Safety Committee, Mass Radiography, Civil Defence and Home Guard, National Insurance Scheme and the National Health Service.
- p.21 Letter received from Engineer in chief of The Shanghai Waterworks Company in praise of the machinery he had received.
- p.22 **Brevities by our correspondents** Includes: picture of Christopher Croft entering the works on a unicycle, J P Goodacre earned title of best shot in the Territorial army, picture of Mrs P Richards, Miss V E Gregg, Mrs M Davenport and Miss A Grose – Queen's ladies swimming team,
- p.23 **Recent contracts**
- p.25 Dollar Earning Exports
- p.25 Some Recent Installations in Australia
- p.27 Watchers of the Skies by S G Barnes (Group Officer, No 12 Royal Observer Corps)
- p.28 **Queen's Engineering Works Recreation Club** Picture of the Heavy Machine Shop skittle team, reports on bowls, (picture of D Smith), tennis (picture of J Leadbetter and R Nicholls), rugby, football, archery, golf, rounders, drama, hockey, cricket (picture of K R G Williams, the Hospital Cup winners, the Accounts department six a side team and the winners of the inter-shop and offices cricket leaguer – staff drawing office), choral society, table tennis, library, shooting, horticulture